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SUBJECT: LETTER TO NEPALESE FOREIGN MINISTER

1. DURING THE RECENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON OF NEPALESE FOREIGN MINISTER KARKI, DEPUTY SECRETARY RUSH WAS UNABLE TO KEEP A GOLFING DATE WITH HIM AS A RESULT OF THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS. NEVERTHELESS, BEFORE LEAVING, KARKI SENT THE DEPUTY SECRETARY A BRASS MANDAL AS A MEMENTO OF THE MISSED OCCASION.

2. THE DEPUTY SECREARY WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE FOLLOWING LETTER COULD BE SENT TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER (SIGNED ORIGINAL WILL FOLLOW BY POUCH):
"DEAR MR. MINISTER: I VERY MUCH REGRET THAT I WAS UNABLE TO PLAY GOLF WITH YOU ON OCTOBER 6 BECAUSE OF THE OUTBREAK OF THE MIDDLE EAST WAR. I HOPE WE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET TOGETHER IN MORE PEACEFUL IMES.

3. MRS. RUSH AND I WERE MOST PLEASANTLY SURPRISED BY YOUR THOUGHTFUL GIFT. WE BOTH HAVE WARM AND FRIENDLY MEMORIES OF YOUR LOVELY COUNTRY. YOUR GIFT WILL BE A CONSTANT REMINDER OF OUR VISIT TO KATHMANDU. KINDEST REGARDS. SINCERELY. KENNETH RUSH" KISSINGER

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